

29.4.27. Lena and Joseph (Joseph's first term) were playing in the sand-pit when Phineas arrived. As soon as Phineas approached, Joseph stiffened aggressively and clenched his fists. They both eyed each other up and down hostilely for several seconds, then Joseph relaxed, Phineas moved away,— and each went on with his own pursuit. No word was spoken.

23.5.27. Lately there has been keen rivalry between Herbert and Alfred, on most points. To-day, Mrs. I, opened the gramophone when Alfred was standing near. He took no particular notice of it until Herbert began to use it, when he at once wanted it, too, and began to criticise and interfere. After a good deal of struggling and scratching, Alfred agreed to the suggestion to let Herbert complete his turn and then have his own. After this they used it alternately in a friendly way.

23.5.27. There was a slight squabble between the children playing in the sand-pit, and Lena threw sand at one of the children who had "spoiled her castle". Joseph told Mrs. I. about this. Mrs. I. reminded Lena that she wouldn't be allowed to stay in the pit if she threw sand, and when she did it again, Mrs. I. lifted her out. Joseph got very excited about this, and said, "Now I'll throw sand at her." When Mrs. I. asked him not to do so, he replied, "Put her out of school." Mrs. I. said, "No, I won't do that." "Well, she threw sand at us—throw her over there" (pointing to the garden wall), "so she can't come into school." Presently he began to throw sand himself. Mrs. I. told him, "If you do that, Joseph, I shan't let you go into the sandpit." He replied, defiantly, "Oh, you can't stop me!" When she presently lifted him out, he seemed very amused.

25.5.27. All the children were taken on the river for a picnic with some grown-up friends. Penelope attached herself to Mr. X., particularly on the walk back from the river. She made some remark about Dan's mother and Mr. X. "belonging

to each other ", and then invited Mr. X. to "

 come to the

 school-house ". When he replied that there was

 no room for

 him, she said, " But you can have Dan's

 room." He said,

 " Perhaps Dan will be there—then what

 should I do ? "

 " But you can sleep with me !—I should like to

 have three,

 you and me and my dolly/¹ The next morning

 she was

 particularly affectionate and clinging to Mrs.

 L, and when

 Mr. X. came in, she greeted him with " Silly

 old John."

 This is another instance of Penelope's high

 ambivalence to

 men and women friends—she swings about

 between the two

 affections and finds it unusually difficult to hold

 them together.